

**The Herrington  
Report**

## August 15-19, 2011



*Thank you to those who signed up for classroom jobs. Be looking for our first student written articles soon.*

**Vocabulary and Key Terms for This Week:**

*These are also located on the classroom website.*

qualitative data funnel

quantitative data ring stand

abstract goggles

Erlenmeyer Flask crucible

petri dish beaker

mortar & pestle

test tube

**Homework:**

* Read through notes each night.
* Highlight things of importance.
* Suggestion: Make flash cards to study vocabulary and key concepts discussed in class

**Assignments:** Take Home Science Experiment Project **(Due August 26)**

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### This past week we spent some time relearning how to make good observations and inferences in science. I demonstrated several things, including a pH rainbow tube, a hydrogen test with zinc & hydrochloric acid, plus what happens when you light hydrogen bubbles. We also had our first lab experience, where students participated in *Drops on a Penny.* We learned a little about surface tension and why the cohesive nature of a water molecule is disrupted by soapy water. Ask about the Magic Pipette and see what they learned!!

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### Class Wikispace Webpage

http://armstrong-herrington.wikispaces.com/

The class website is a place that can be utilized by both students and parents. The main goal of the site is be able to:

* Check our classroom calendar
* Stay up to date on when tests are scheduled
* Practice science concepts with games and other fun things
* Participate in Webquests
* Learn about the scientific method and lab equipment
* Get the vocabulary for the week or unit
* Read the newsletter
* Watch tutorials or videos on science content
* Download and print assignments, rubrics, or other documents
* Review PowerPoint presentations
* Participate in Discussions
* Access fun websites on Science
* Catch up on missed work more easily
* Practice for the Mississippi Science Test

Hopefully the classroom website will be frequented often by the students and parents. You do not have to “join” to be able to see everything on the site. If your preference is to “join” then I will add you after you request it on the site.